

Drug Policy Advisory Council Meeting Minutes – November 9, 2006

Voting Council Members Present: Marvin Van Haaften, Paul Stageberg, Art Schut, Ken Carter, Pam Dettmann, Jeanette Bucklew, Charlotte Burt, Chris Wilson, Dean Austin for Janet Zwick, Brian Vos, Jeff Hughes, Diane Thomas, Robert Mahan

Non-voting Members Present: Al Overbaugh, LTC Tim Glynn, Bill Roach.

Guests: Nicole Gustafson, Senator Grassley's Office

Staff Present: Dale Woolery, Dennis Wiggins and Becky Swift.

Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Director Van Haaften 9:00 a.m. at the DCI Laboratory in Ankeny. Council members and guests introduced themselves.

Minutes

The minutes of August 10, 2006 were approved as submitted.

Dale Woolery provided an overview of the day and discussed expectations.

Review - Results and Indicators Chapter of the 2007 Drug Control Strategy

Becky Swift distributed copies of the Results and Indicators chapter of the 2007 Drug Control Strategy, which she then reviewed with the DPAC members. She indicated that this chapter could be referenced during the priority issues discussion.

Discussion about priority issues

DPAC members were asked to break into three diverse small groups where they would be asked to identify drug control issues of particular importance that could not be addressed by a single organization or agency. The small groups were encouraged to use the Results and Indicators chapter of the Drug Control Strategy in their discussion.

The groups were given approximately 20 minutes for their discussion. At the end of the time period, each group was asked to share their proposals with the entire group.

The results of the first round of small group discussions are as follows (each small group is designated by color).

First round of proposals

Funding

- Purposeful
- Oversight with outcome measurements
- Collaboration

Prevention

- Continuity in programming
- Outcomes
- Statewide leadership
- Engaging parents

Workforce Development

- Expand discussion beyond teachers to include all people who work with the public – especially kids

Greater public ownership of drug and alcohol problem

Prescription drug abuse especially with kids

Adequate appropriate treatment – no matter the environment

- Appropriate assessment

Collaboration Essential – across disciplines

Funding restoration – enforcement, HIDTA, prevention & TX

Industry incentives that encourage problems – marketing to youth and encouraging over consumption.

Treatment prevention

Funding exists, but need to make it a priority

Alcohol and tobacco as gateways

Resources for quality evidence based school based prevention and collaboration with school & statewide initiative

Raise the profile of mentoring

Expand treatment capacity based on need to impact long term treatment outcomes

Aftercare

Support services for co-occurring disorders. Support funding

Byrne grant funding - LLEBG, COPS, etc

Electronic tracking of pseudoephedrine sales

Similar ideas were then grouped to reduce duplication.

The Council broke for lunch at 11:30

When they returned the DPAC members were asked yet again to divide into three small groups. This time, they were asked to discuss the ideas generated in round one of the discussion and to identify their top priorities overall.

Round 2 Priorities, by small group

Increase capacity and capability

Education

- Legislators

- Community
- Talk about successes

Collaboration

- Task force – legislation
- Statewide plan
- Prevention, treatment, law enforcement corrections

Enforcement

Provide stability in funding – state sources \$5M

Treatment

- Immediate access to treatment
- Length of stay
- Continuing care

Awareness education

- Targeting gateway drugs and prescription drugs
- Public service announcements – more specific focus

Pseudoephedrine tracking

Collaborative leadership structure

Funding a full continuum of treatment services

Funding sources like liquor tax should be directed to treatment

Increase revenue sources to address substance abuse issues

Once again, similar ideas were grouped to reduce duplication.

Each voting member of DPAC was allowed to vote on their top three priority issues. Those issues receiving votes are noted below. A member could place all three of their votes on one issue if they desired.

VOTE

Develop a leadership collaboration.... (10)

Funding the full continuum prevention intervention treatment aftercare etc (10)

Restoration of lost federal funds (6)

Education legislators community (2)

PSE tracking (2)

Increase capacity and capability (4)

Awareness prevention education (2)

Following the ranking of priorities, the top three issues were discussed at greater length.

Wrap Up – Action Steps

Priority #1 - Development of leadership collaboration

Objectives

- Identify the leadership and their role
- Determine the charter – mission of the group
- Have a direct result at the local level through agency collaboration
- Training and tools to local communities

Stakeholders

- DPAC
- ISADA
- Criminal justice associations – county attorneys, law enforcement, juvenile justice etc

Next Steps

- Developing a core committee
- Blue ribbon committee – research committee
- Write a grant

DPAC members: Pam and Jeff

Priority #2 - Funding the full continuum prevention, intervention, treatment aftercare etc.

Objectives

- Analysis of current funding
- Identify the unmet need
- Explore additional ways to increase revenue
- Demonstrate existing outcomes from current programs

Stakeholders

- Treatment providers
- Corrections
- Prevention
- Public Health
- Legislators

Next Steps

- Draft proposals
- Criteria for what's working
- Outcome data

DPAC members: Bill, Janet, Diane, Art

Priority #3 - Restoration of Lost Federal Funding – especially enforcement and criminal justice

Objectives

- Analysis of current funding
- Demonstrate existing outcomes from current programs
- Impact
- Show trends

Stakeholders

- Law enforcement
- Judiciary
- Prosecution
- Juvenile justice
- State and Federal Legislature

Next Steps

- Determine how law enforcement will communicate with legislators
- Explore alternative funding sources – insurance, surcharges, etc

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 8, 2007 from 1:00 – 3:00 pm at a location to be announced.

Director Van Haaften thanked the group for their work.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Becky Swift". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Becky Swift